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Southeast Infantry Division, Fifth Army Group  
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**ABSTRACT**

1. This report identifies and delineates the major army units subordinate to the Southeast Infantry Division of the Fifth Army Group, North Korea. The report is based on analysis of all photographic coverage from October 1972 to October 1973; it contains a location map, a table, and a photograph. The purpose of this report is to combine point targets into area targets to provide more meaningful reporting.

**INTRODUCTION**

2. The North Korean Fifth Army Group protects the security of the central sector of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) and commands four infantry divisions (including one held in reserve) and a medium tank regiment. The major elements of a division are three infantry regiments, an artillery regiment, a mortar regiment, a tank company, and a headquarters area.

3. This report is the first in a series on divisions within the Fifth Army Group and is designed to realign the boundaries of the existing basic encyclopedia (BE) point targets into BE target areas. The realignment of the BE boundaries has been coordinated with DIA and CIA analysts, and appropriate BE action has been taken by DIA. In the future, the entire Southeast Infantry Division will be reported under the BE number now assigned to the headquarters area [REDACTED]. The area nomenclatures and boundaries have been arbitrarily assigned to expedite consolidation in reporting.

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4. Subsequent reports will follow, as time and manpower permit, on all divisions within the Fifth and Second Army Groups. Supplemental reports will follow when significant changes are observed within the reported areas.

**BASIC DESCRIPTION**

5. The Southeast Infantry Division (Figures 1 and 2), a subordinate of the Fifth Army Group, occupies the southeast sector of the Fifth Army Group area of responsibility. This area appears to extend east to 38-21N 127-34E, west to 38-21N 127-15E, and north to 38-24N 127-18E and 38-28N 127-33E. The adjacent defense sector to the east is occupied by the Southwest Infantry Division,<sup>1</sup>

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First Army Group, and the adjacent defense sector to the west is occupied by the Southwest Infantry Division, Fifth Army Group. The inset table to Figure 2 lists the units of the Southeast Infantry Division with their geographic coordinates, and associated BE numbers. The components of the Southeast Infantry Division are keyed to Figures 1 and 2 and the inset table.

#### **Songam-ni Army Barracks and Headquarters Infantry Division**

6. The infantry headquarters area (area A, Figures 1 and 2) consists of one headquarters building, three administration buildings, 13 barracks, two messhalls, one auditorium, 41 quarters (including five under construction), and 16 support buildings.

#### **Chungdong-ni Military Barracks South**

7. The artillery regimental area (area B, Figures 1 and 2) consists of 26 barracks, four administration buildings, five messhalls, two auditoriums, 11 vehicle sheds, numerous quarters and support buildings, one howitzer battalion consisting of three six-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries, and one howitzer battalion consisting of three four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries. The flat-trajectory gun battalion is within the mortar regimental area. Numerous trenches are present throughout the area.

#### **Chungdong-ni Military Barracks West**

8. The mortar regimental area (area C, Figures 1 and 2) consists of four barracks, two messhalls, numerous quarters and support buildings, two nine-position mortar emplacements, three six-position mortar emplacements, and a flat-trajectory gun battalion of the artillery regiment consisting of three six-gun, tunnel-served gun batteries. Numerous trenches are present throughout the area.

#### **Ojon Headquarters Infantry Regiment and Barracks and AAA Site**

9. The infantry regimental area (area D, Figures 1 and 2) consists of 37 barracks, four administration buildings, seven messhalls, 16 vehicle sheds, one auditorium, numerous quarters and support buildings, a howitzer battalion consisting of three four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries, and 27 mortar positions. Numerous trenches are present throughout the area.

#### **Koam-ni Army Barracks and Storage Area ESE**

10. The infantry regimental area (area E, Figures 1 and 2) consists of 39 barracks, one H-shaped headquarters building, seven administration buildings (two C-shaped), five messhalls, eight vehicle sheds, numerous quarters and support buildings, two howitzer battalions consisting of six four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries, and one four-gun, tunnel-served, flat-trajectory gun battery. Numerous trenches are present throughout the area.

#### **Chuja-dong Army Barracks and Headquarters Infantry Regiment**

11. The infantry regimental area (area F, Figures 1 and 2) consists of 43 barracks, one C-shaped headquarters building, six administration buildings, seven messhalls, one auditorium, 12 vehicle sheds, numerous quarters and support buildings, 12 mortar emplacements, two howitzer battalions consisting of six four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries, and one four-gun, tunnel-served, flat-trajectory gun battery. Numerous trenches are present throughout the area.

#### **Chuja-dong Army Barracks NE**

12. This tank company area (area G, Figures 1 and 2) consists of one barracks and a blast-shield protected tank storage tunnel.

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